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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Before examination, kindly amend this application as follows:

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In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 10 and 11 as follows:

1. (Amended) A telecommunications assembly comprising:

A) a chassis;

B) a plurality of splitter cards mounted within the chassis, each of the splitter cards including:

a circuit board;

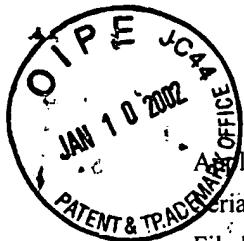
a line connector connected to the circuit board;

a data connector connected to the circuit board;

a voice connector connected to the circuit board;

a plurality of splitters connected to the circuit board;

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